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views of social progress and the nature of society. The book is sane and suggestive and gives a splendid skeleton to cover in class with flesh and blood.

W. H. HECK.

ELLWOOD, C. A. *Syllabus for an elementary course in sociology.* (Columbia, Mo.: Missouri Book Co. 1917. Pp. 26. 10c.)

Combines the author's *Sociology and Modern Social Problems* with his *Introduction to Social Psychology* as a basis for an elementary course.

HARVEY, J. and others. *Competition: A study in human motive.* (London: Macmillan. 1917. Pp. xiii, 232. 2s. 6d.)

HOBSON, J. A. *The evolution of modern capitalism. A study of a machine production.* New edition. (New York: Scribner. 1917. Pp. xvi, 488.)

SEAGER, H. R. *Principles of economics.* Second edition, revised and enlarged. (New York: Holt. 1917. Pp. xx, 662.)

Five hundred practical questions in economics. For use in secondary schools. (Boston: Heath. 1916. Pp. 59. 25c.)

This little volume is prepared by a committee of the New England History Teachers Association. Some of the problems have already been published elsewhere, by Professor Day and Dr. Davis of Harvard University in their pamphlets on *Questions on the Principles of Economics*. The committee which had this in charge was composed of Winthrop Tirrell, High School of Commerce, Boston; Edmund E. Day, Harvard University; Horace Kidger, Technical High School, Newton; Thomas H. H. Knight, Girls' High School, Boston; Margaret McGill, Classical High School, Newton; and Sara H. Stites, Simmons College.

Economic History and Geography

NEW BOOKS

BARRON, C. W. *The Mexican problem.* (Boston: Houghton Mifflin. 1917. Pp. xxv, 136. \$1.)

Contains a considerable amount of economic data; a special study of the oil resources in Mexico, and the experience of the Standard Oil Company. Author emphasizes the need of economic development.

BEER, G. L. *The English-speaking peoples, their future relations and joint international obligations.* (New York: Macmillan. 1917. Pp. xi, 322. \$1.50.)

The title indicates a breadth of treatment of present international problems far outside the economic sphere. Yet, as might be expected of the author, economic factors are never neglected, and a long chapter on "economic interdependence" is an admirable survey of the recent commercial relations of the great powers, with suggestive glimpses into the future.

C. D.

BOYCE, W. S. *Economic and social history of Chowan County, North Carolina 1880-1915*. Columbia University studies in history, economics and public law, vol. LXXVI, no. 1. (New York: Longmans, Green and Co. 1917. Pp. 293. \$2.50.)

To be reviewed.

CALHOUN, A. W. *A social history of the American family. From colonial times to the present*. Vol. I. *Colonial period*. (Cleveland, O.: Arthur H. Clark Co. 1917. Pp. 348. \$5.)

COLBY, F. M., editor. *New international year book; a compendium of the world's progress for the year 1916*. (New York: Dodd, Mead. 1917. Pp. 839. \$6.)

CRAM, G. F. *Descriptive review showing development of the state of Pennsylvania*. (Chicago: George F. Cram Co. 1917. \$6.50.)

CURREY, C. H. *British colonial policy, 1783-1915*. (London: Milford. 1917. Pp. 266.)

DOMINIAN, L. *The frontiers of language and nationality in Europe*. (New York: Holt. 1917. Pp. xviii, 375.)

In view of the crisis in contemporary Europe this book appears most opportunely. Published under the auspices of the American Geographical Society of New York, lavishly supplied with maps and plates and with the usual apparatus of scholarship, the book seems qualified to become a standard source of information on the topics in the field it covers.

C. D.

FULLER, G. N. *Economic and social beginnings of Michigan; a study of the settlement of the lower peninsula during the territorial period, 1805-1837*. (Lansing, Mich.: State Hist. Commission. 1917. Pp. 72, 630. \$1; gratis to libraries.)

HAMMOND, J. L. and B. *The town laborer, 1760-1832: The new civilization*. (New York: Longmans. 1917.)

HANNA, M. A. *Trade of the Delaware district before the Revolution*. Smith College studies in history, vol. II, no. 4. (Northampton: Dept. of Hist. of Smith College. 1917. Pp. 240-348. 50c.)

HERRICK, C. A. *History of commerce and industry*. (New York: Macmillan. 1917. Pp. xxv, 562. \$1.60.)

HODGES, H. R. *Economic conditions, 1815 and 1914*. (London: Allen & Unwin. 1917. Pp. 91. 2s. 6d.)

HOTBLACK, K. *Chatham's colonial policy; a study in the fiscal and economic implications of the colonial policy of the elder Pitt*. (New York: Dutton. 1917. Pp. 219. \$2.50.)

JOAD, C. E. M. *Robert Owen, idealist*. (London: Fabian Soc. 1917. Pp. 32.)

KETTLEBOROUGH, C. and LAPP, J. A., editors. *The state constitutions*. (Indianapolis: B. F. Bowen & Co. 1917.)

LAPP, J. A. *Important federal laws.* (Indianapolis: B. F. Bowen & Co. 1917. \$6.)

LAUREYS, H. *Essai de géographie économique du Canada.* (Montreal: Dr. Henry Laureys, 399 Viger Ave. 1914. \$1.50.)

A clear statement of the annual resources of Canada, with excellent charts and diagrams.

MAXWELL, S. *The resources and opportunities of Montana.* (Helena: Secretary of State. 1916. Pp. 191.)

MERK, F. *Economic history of Wisconsin during the civil war decade.* (Madison: State Hist. Soc. 1916. Pp. 414. \$2.)

ORCUTT, W. A. *Burrows of Michigan and the Republican party: A biography and a history.* (New York: Longmans. 1917.)

POMMEREUIL, R. *La guerre économique, 1914-1917.* (Poitiers: Oudin. 1917. Pp. 351. 5.50 frs.)

PROTHERO, R. E. *English farming past and present.* Second edition. (New York: Longmans. 1917. Pp. xvi, 504. \$2.50.)

Brings to date the tables of English wheat prices and agricultural statistics.

PYLE, J. G. *The life of James J. Hill.* Two volumes. (New York: Doubleday, Page. 1917. Pp. 958.)

RADER, P. S. *The history of Missouri, from the earliest times to the present.* Revised edition. (Jefferson City, Mo.: Hugh Stephens Co. 1917. Pp. 219.)

RENARD, G. *La situation économique de la France avant et après la guerre.* (Paris: Giard & Brière. 1917. 1 fr.)

SCHOLEFIELD, G. H. *New Zealand in evolution, industrial, economic and political.* (New York: Scribner. 1917. Pp. 263. \$1.75.)

SEYBOLT, R. F. *Apprenticeship and apprenticeship education in colonial New England and New York.* (New York: Teachers College, Columbia University. 1917. Pp. 121. \$1.)

SMART, W. *Economic annals of the nineteenth century, 1821-1830.* (New York: Macmillan. 1917. Pp. xxii, 584. \$6.50.)

STEVENS, E. G. *Civilized commercialism.* (New York: Dutton. 1917. Pp. 252.)

THOMPSON, C. M. *History of the United States: political, industrial, social.* (Boston: Sanborn. 1917. Pp. xx, 540.)

WASHBURN, C. G. *Industrial Worcester.* (Worcester, Mass.: Davis Press. 1917. Pp. 348. \$2.)

WELCH, C. *History of the Cutlers' Company of London.* (London: The Cutlers' Co. 1916.)

WESTERGAARD, W. *The Danish West Indies. Under company rule (1671-1754). With a supplementary chapter, 1755-1917.* (New York: Macmillan. 1917. Pp. xxiv, 359, illus. \$2.50.)

The foreign relations of the United States. Part I: 1. *The democratic ideal in world organization.* 2. *Future Pan-American relations.* Part II: 3. *Future relations with the Far East.* 4. *Investments and concessions as causes of international conflict.* Proceedings of the Academy of Political Science in the City of New York, vol. VII, nos. 2-3, edited by H. R. MUSSEY and S. P. DUGGAN. (New York: Published by the Academy. 1917. Pp. xxxi, 331; vi, 129. \$1.50.)

A series of addresses and papers presented at the National Conference on Foreign Relations of the United States at Long Beach, N. Y., May 28-June 1, 1917. The following articles are included: "Economic access and neutralization of waterways," by J. Russell Smith; "Labor as a factor in the newer conception of international relationships," by Jane Addams; "Socialism and the terms of peace," by Meyer London; "Commercial and financial interests of the United States in the Caribbean," by Edwin M. Borchard; "Commercial and financial agencies of Pan-American Union," by James Carson; "Land ownership by aliens," by Hans von Kaltenborn; and five papers on "Investments and concessions as causes of international conflict."

Review of the historical publications relating to Canada. University of Toronto studies, vol. XXI. (Toronto. 1917. Pp. 192.)

Contains twenty-seven items under the head of geography, economics and statistics, including several on Canadian railroads and a number on Canada in relation to the war.

L'effort économique de la France pendant deux ans et demi de guerre. (Paris: Berger-Levrault. 1917. 1.50 fr.)

Agriculture, Mining, Forestry, and Fisheries

Introduction to Rural Sociology. By PAUL L. VOGT. (New York: D. Appleton and Company. 1917. Pp. xvi, 443. \$2.00.)

Not long ago the reviewer was discussing with a well-known sociologist the place of rural sociology as a subject of study and instruction. "I am not sure there is such a thing," said he. "To me rural sociology is more or less mythical. I've been prospecting for several years and recently I've had several graduate students and two trained investigators surveying the field—and *I haven't struck pay dirt yet.*"

Rural sociology is a very new subject—and a very ambitious one—but perhaps few economists or sociologists today will deny the existence of a distinctively rural field of sociological study; and a few, at least, dignify it with the title of social science. But whatever the status of the subject, this *Introduction to Rural*